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"Rhine Shipping"

1. "Towards the end of February 1954, the ice broke, but shipping space was not available, since all the barges and motor-ships stuck in the ice had to continue their voyages first, before being free for new liftings. However, since the first days of March 1954 the situation is slowly improving.

2. "Rhine Shipments"

	January 1954	December 1953
Gasoline	50,257 bbls	81,203 bbls
Kerosene	---	---
Distillates and Fuels	124,141 "	40,309 "
Lub oils	4,510 "	11,776 "
Other Petroleum Derivates	1,897 "	5,364 "
Coal (all qualities)	28,601 m t	36,517 m t

3. "Comparison of imports of petroleum products via railroad and via Rhine:

	Total Imports into Switzerland metric tons	Imports by Rhine Barges Metric Tons
Gasoline	23,166	9,402
Kerosene	4,219	-
Distillates & Fuels	59,880	5,685
Lub oils	3,876	651

4. "Petroleum Consumption in Switzerland"

	Total Sales 1947	January / December 1952 1953
Unit in 1,000 bbls	1,899	3,279 3,729
Gasoline	120	545 422
Kerosene	3,288	4,404 4,937.5
Gasoil & Domestic Diesel	412	1,103.5 1,251
Fuel oils	179	195 225"

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